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09/749,345

SPEECH SYNTHESIZING APPARATUS, SPEECH SYNTHESIZING METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

<u>X</u> The fee has been calculated as shown below.

This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

### Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining	(3)	(4) Highest number	(5)	(6)	(7)
	after amendment		previously paid for	Present extra	Rate	Additional fee
Total claims	11	Minus	= 20	0 ×	\$18(9)	= \$00.00
Independent claims	3	Minus	= 3	0 ×	\$86(43)	= 00.00
			Total additional fee for this amendment			\$00.00

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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 28, 2004, please amend the

above-identified application as follows:

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